

# CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1.  
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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## LOYALTY TO CHRIST

### What It Means to Be True to Him at All Times.

Penalty on Those Who Are Not Loyal Subjects—  
Examine Yourself and See if You Are Loyal  
to Your King and Savior.

To some people this subject is of little interest because they do not stop long enough to consider. They have a way of believing that Christ died for their sins and this being the case all they have to do is to believe on Him and call upon Him in the day of sickness and death and He will accept them and take them to heaven.

As far as being loyal to Him is concerned, or what it means to be loyal to Him never enters their minds. Talk to them about being loyal to their country and they understand that at once, and concede to every requirement and consider themselves very patriotic.

To be loyal to a person means to be true to him. A loyal citizen of a country is one that obeys the laws and honors those in authority. Loyalty means fidelity and fidelity is the opposite of infidelity. These last words usually apply to the Christian religion. Those who do not believe in the Christian religion are termed "infidels." But when the analogy is strictly followed there may be found many more infidels than at first thought of.

Now please follow carefully the analogy. An infidel is one who rejects and disdains the Christian religion. Of course such a person cannot be a loyal subject to Christ. He does not profess to be. He is an avowed enemy of the Christ because he does not believe in Him. He is an infidel.

Loyalty means fidelity which is the opposite of infidelity. If loyalty means fidelity then fidelity means loyalty, and a loyal person is one that is faithful to the cause he espouses. Thus when a person accepts Christ he is expected to be loyal and true and faithful to Him. That is, when he accepts Christ he accepts Christ's laws and government, and agrees to be to Him a loyal subject.

It one is faithful to Christ

he is honest, truthful, trustworthy and loyal. If he proves himself untrue, dishonest and disloyal by disobeying and ignoring Christ's laws then he is not trustworthy. If he is not loyal and trustworthy then he is disloyal and proves himself to be an infidel, because infidelity is the opposite of fidelity, and fidelity is loyalty.

We will illustrate: in Christ's law there is no provision made for His subjects to use medicines in time of sickness. But there are instructions given by Him telling the sick people just what to do. If one refuses or ignores these instructions and resorts to the use of medicine, that one is a disloyal subject, and, following the above analogy, that person is an infidel because loyalty means fidelity and is the opposite of infidelity, and an infidel is one that rejects Christ and His doctrine.

There are many who claim salvation for their souls through Christ that resort to medical treatment in time of sickness. They are servants of Christ when in good health, and sometimes shout and rejoice because they say Christ has saved them, but as soon as they get sick they become the servants of physicians and their filthy medicines. When they are in good health and no prospect of dying they believe in Christ and trust Him, but as soon as they get sick and are likely to die, they become disloyal, disobedient, unfaithful, and turn infidel.

It looks to me that every fair-minded person could see that such action is a trick of the devil. If you can't trust the Lord and obey Him when you are sick and about to die, how do you know that your joyful experience when you are in health is genuine? You foolish child! How can you expect Christ to save you if you should die, when you have become disloyal to your Savior and turned infidel on your dying bed?

This may seem a little

sharp, but I am convinced that some precious souls who claim salvation and that they are loyal to Christ need some "sharp rebuke" that they may be sound in the faith. (Titus 1:13.) The time is near that the line will be drawn. This thing of professing loyalty to Christ in health and turning infidel in time of sickness; and then when they get well again after a long spell of sickness under the doctor's care, they come out and claim they are loyal to Christ without any repentance, is soon going to be a thing of the past among God's children.

If Christ is your Savior while in health, and you feel under obligations to obey His laws enough to take the Lord's supper and wash one another's feet and pay tithes and offerings, then it is just as necessary for you to be true to Him when sickness overtakes you, and instead of turning infidel and resorting to medicines you will remain loyal and call for prayers, anointing with oil and the laying on of hands.

You may know what it means to be true to Christ on some lines, but I want you to see what it means to be true to Him at all times. Remember there is a penalty on those who are not loyal subjects. "For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you. And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear (obey) that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people." (Acts 3:22, 23.)

When you take medicine you disobey "that prophet" for He has arranged that through the laying on of the hands of believers, prayers, and anointing with oil, that you may be healed, and not one place can you find where He said for you to take medicine or "simple remedies." Some of you may be cut off now and so dead that you don't know it.

A story is told of two Irishmen that caught a turtle and took it in the kitchen and cut off its head, and when they put it down it went walking off. One said to the other "Oh Pat he's dead and don't know it." Some of you

may be the same way. You have been accustomed to shouting and talking in tongues, and have been taking medicine and using simple remedies or tobacco or other stimulants and your spiritual head is cut off and you go on as if you were as saintly as anyone. Look out, loved one, God is on your track. You may deceive people, but you can't deceive Him. You may find yourself cut off right at the time you will need the most grace when the death damps collect on your brow and you are to fight the last battle with the grim monster death.

It would no doubt pay you to examine yourself and see if you are loyal to your King and Savior, or have you turned infidel when you got sick and doped yourself with morphine, quinine, pills, tablets or other stuff that is not becoming for a Christian. This is too serious to laugh at when Jesus says, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you." (John 15:14), and Paul says, "For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ." What makes one an enemy? Because he is not loyal to Christ. What makes one a friend? Because he is loyal to Christ. How does one prove his fidelity to Christ? By standing true and faithful and obedient to Him in the severest trials which includes sickness. How does one prove to be an infidel? By rejecting Christ and His teachings, which includes resorting to medicines in time of sickness when Christ teaches plainly some other way.

Referring to those whom Paul says are enemies of the cross of Christ he further adds, "Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things." (Phil. 3:19) This, with many other Scriptures, is a stern rebuke to those who prove themselves disloyal to Christ by their disloyal disobedience to His commands. "And why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" (Luke 6:46.)

Now dear ones, if we are going to serve the Lord, let us do it in reality and not make a mock of it. Don't

profess to be a Christian and play the hypocrite. It will do you no good. If you have been guilty of disloyalty to Christ and proved yourself an infidel more than you thought, hasten to repentance and earnestly plead with God until you are sure you are a loyal subject of His; true, trustworthy, and faithful, so that when you get sick you will die rather than swallow that which the Lord forbids.

Please remember that I am your friend and love you as my own soul and am faithfully dealing with you on this point. Paul says for me to "be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; If God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil who are taken captive by him at his will." (2 Tim. 2:24-26.)

It is enough for the devil to make you sick, without making you take medicine. I am anxious for you to acknowledge the truth of healing by divine power, and follow the plan for healing laid down by Jesus, which will prevent you falling into infidelity when sickness comes, which is the very time you need even more trust and faith in Him. Don't let death overtake you and thus be ushered into the presence of God with your body all doped with medicine or simple remedies after you have had the Bible before you for these years, and God's ministers have faithfully given you instructions on divine healing.

God bless you all just now. Amen.

Augusta, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I praise God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I am shouting victory over the devil. I intend to go through with the Lord. I am thirteen years old.

Pray for me that I may stand true, and do what the Lord would have me do.

Your sister in Jesus,  
Mattie Hughes.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES

Brother Lemons reports twenty-five filled with the Holy Ghost at the meeting at Morristown, Tenn., and the end is not yet.

G. T. Stargel is at Rock Hill, S. C., at present. He is ready for evangelistic work and is able to do good service for the Master.

Be sure to do your best to extend the circulation of the Evangel. Remember we all want to run it up to ten thousand by the time of the assembly in November.

Some still do not understand why we are carrying a few advertisements. It is both for the benefit of our friends who are in business and wish to advertise, and to help us with the expense. Our people should appreciate those who advertise, because their patronage assists in making the Evangel a financial possibility. Please continue to pray for and work for the paper.

Another strange occurrence was witnessed in the sisters' meeting here in Tuesday afternoon of last week. A mandolin lying in the room gave off three beautiful selections of music by an unseen hand. Some of the sisters watched it while it was giving forth the beautiful strains and all declare there was no natural cause whatever. The presence of the Lord was so marked that most every one present was melted to tears and brought low before God. At or near the close of the last strain the

power fell so strong that the worshipers could no longer hold themselves quiet to listen, and some were exercised while out on the street after leaving the house. This seems too strange to believe, but have asked a number about it and they all tell the same story, so I attributed the phenomenon to the power of the Lord and give Him the glory for it. Once or twice before we have been called upon to report through these columns about the organs continuing to play after the hands were lifted from the keys, but this time it was a little mandolin lying over there by itself and no one had attempted to touch it, when all at once the sweetest strains of music began to ring off the strings. It won't be long till we will hear the trumpet sound and the righteous dead will burst out of the graves and live. Hallelujah! Glory to God! Amen.

## Fork Ridge, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Dear Saints:

I am praising God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I was a member of Baptist Church but I saw the light on the Church of God and so now I am a member of it, and I thank God because I am a member. I praise God for the dear saints here.

I have not been in this way very long, so pray for me that I may ever be humble at the feet of Jesus. Your sister in Christ, Maratha Woodward.

## Cookville, Tenn.

Dear Editor and All of the Evangel Family:

I am praising God for manifesting this mighty power through the dear saints.

A two weeks' meeting has just close at Lone Oak.

Brother Wesley Collins and sister Troglan sure did hand out the Word to large congregations. Many were made to believe. Several sanctified and some filled with the Holy Ghost. My wife was one which makes it more real to me for we are one flesh, so says the Book, and it also says that it is for you and your children, and to those that are afar off, so I am away over here waiting for the promise of the Father. I know we have to have it for He said, "If I go away I will send you another Comforter," which is the Holy Ghost. I am sure He is gone and it seems that any one ought to know the Holy Ghost is in the world today. I have many reasons for say-

ing this. If you knew the little band at Lone Oak as I do you would seek as well as I am. They are earnestly devoted to the Master's service. I don't want to be burdensome to them but I do earnestly desire the prayers of the little band of fifteen or more that gave their names to join the dear old Church of God. And I hope some day to join in as one humble enough for a door keeper if nothing else.

J. O. Brown.

## Udipke, Miss.

Dear Readers of Evangel:

I am glad that I am among the living and can testify for the dear Savior, who one day washed all of my sins away with his own blood, and let me go rejoicing.

I am more than pleased with the Evangel. Just as soon as it comes, I never stop until every word in it is read. It is indeed elevating to the soul and that is what I enjoy.

I am writing this to ask the saints who have power in prayer in healing to pray for two of my children and myself to be healed. I have been a sufferer for many years, but not an invalid. I know that God has promised to do abundantly above all we can think or ask, but my faith is weak.

The work here has run to a low ebb and if we fail to assemble ourselves together often, we grow weaker, is my experience. I want to be a soul winner for Jesus, and if the blessed Master has any more power for me, I sincerely want it. I am more than anxious to be fully equipped and I earnestly covet the best gifts, let them be called what they may, if they are of God they just suit me. I want the rest of my life to be spent in the service of the Lord.

Please pray that the eyes of the blind at this place may be opened.

Desiring to do the whole will of God, I am,

Your sister in Christ,  
 Mrs. Annie Tucker.

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# The Baptism of the Holy Ghost

Sam C. Penny.

The Baptism of the Spirit is no where in all the Sacred Writings connected with the removal of sin, either actual or inherited. It is an anointing, enduing, arming of the purified, for the full comprehension of God's will and the performance of the same.

The holy anointing oil was not to touch man's flesh. The endowment could be given to none but those who were delivered from every discordant nature. God could not arm a soldier for His service until all rebellion and evil of every kind was removed from the heart of him who was thus to be armed. The Christian armor will not fit until all unrighteousness and Satanic likeness is removed.

On the day of Pentecost none tarried for the Holy Spirit except the faithful followers of the Lord. When they received Him there was an ingathering of the unsaved.

The baptism of the Spirit is needed that the individual may enter into a realization of the Spiritual life. Until this takes place there is necessarily a shortness in the fruits, graces and gifts of the Spirit. This is the lowest water mark of the New Testament believer.

Pardon our transgressions, and cleansing of the carnal nature are the preparatory side, then the filling of the Spirit is the positive side of salvation. Deliverance from sin is indeed great, but to have the Divine Being dwell in us imparting the divine characteristics is greater. Rest, peace and purity are glorious but to know God intimately, be able to please Him with a service that will bless others, is better.

The baptism of the Spirit is necessary for the most acceptable service in the Master's vineyard. Though many receive the baptism who do not continue to so walk in the Spirit that they make effective workers. A little idea, notion or peculiarity of our own will easily impair our usefulness. Satan has a thousand ways of destroying the usefulness of those who have been purified and filled, if only he can get a little advantage of them, he is ready to impose some extreme view upon them, or to make them pick up some minor point and hold it up to the neglect of greater things. Or he would make them to judge or criticize others in a way not becoming a saint. Or some he would make sloven, careless about the Bible study, prayer

and attending upon the public services and etc. It is necessary that we live very close to the word and walk carefully before the Lord lest our baptism after all make us no more effective in God's service than we were before.

To receive the baptism of the Spirit, it is necessary to get very humble before God, every thing must be yielded up to Him, as we tarry like the disciples of old. None of self, the flesh or the world must remain, all must go for His sake.

Jesus said when the Comforter is come, He will testify of me, and when they were filled they spake in other tongues; as the Spirit gave utterance, and this manifestation seemed common in those days. It was not the prominent thing in the experience, but it was a part of it, and we shall say a necessary part or the Lord would not have allowed it to appear so prominently. If we possess the same experience now, we are at a loss to see why this manifestation should not be ours too. There are as many reasons for tongues today as ever. If we stand for the baptism of the Spirit today, but reject the speaking in tongues, how shall we be able to prove that we have the same as the apostles?

Another beautiful thing about the Spirit, He comes to abide. There is no going away and coming again, but as we give Him "right of way," He remains with us, and we have Him to teach and lead us into all truth, while we walk in His fear and comfort. May this be our portion until Jesus comes.

## Lake Park, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: Greetings in Jesus' name.

I promised the Lord not long ago that I would do what ever He wanted me to do if He would give me the Holy Ghost. I have not received Him yet but know He is for me when I get humble enough. So I ask all who read this to pray for me and my husband. Also we have a little afflicted girl and I want you to pray that the Lord will heal her. I know the Lord heals for He has healed me several times, and I intend by His help to trust Him.

Mrs. Mary Collier.

## Lavonia, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Evangel Readers:

I want to sound a note of

praise. Husband, myself and three of our children have the Holy Ghost and belong to the dear old Church of God.

Dear brother Capshaw and his little daughter has just closed a meeting here. The people were greatly stirred. We saw people quake and tremble and cry aloud for mercy as that mighty man of God would preach.

Little Jessie Capshaw, only thirteen years old, preached from Matthew 15:7, 8, 9. It is wonderful how the Lord uses that child. She is a soul winner for Jesus.

Dear brother Stargel was here also and preached some, and made many friends. He was on his way to Rock Hill, S. C.

We hope to have a Church here soon. Pray for us. May the Lord bless you all.

Your sister in Jesus,  
Mrs. Logan White.

## Hixson, Tenn.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I am truly glad to say that I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I sometimes meet with a "giant" but Jesus said "my grace is sufficient" He also said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away but my word shall not pass away."

When I think of the war-stricken nations and see that it is fulfilling the Word to the letter, and we can almost see Jerusalem compassed with armies. (Luke 21:20.)

Oh, we surely can see the fig leaves putting forth. The gathering of the elect will soon take place. This gathering will have nothing but what is desirable, Jesus, the fairest of ten thousand, will be there.

The City of jasper and gold is there whose Builder and Maker is God. The river of life flowing from His throne in purity and peace is there.

The tree of life with its never failing fruits and healing leaves is there. Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the prophets, Apostles and the perfection of heavenly society will be there. We will exchange the cross for a crown. We will lay aside these rent garments for a white robe of triumph, and feel that the victory is gained. Glory to God!

I just feel this minute that my appetite is growing sharp for the marriage supper, when the elect are gathered and we bid farewell to all the ills of this mortal life. How rich is the promise to all determined saints.

We can feel good all alone

## Eldorado, Ill.

Dear Brother in Christ:

Over twelve years ago my sins were pardoned, about two years ago I was sanctified and I began to walk day by day without sin. I have met many as I have traveled through the world that could not live without sinning.

I was taught at my home in the northern part of England that it was impossible to live without sin, but I know now that it is only a lie of the devil for I know that I am walking in the paths of righteousness where there is no sin. God taught me to present my body Rom. 12:1. I walked in the newness of life, for I put off the old man and put on the new man in Christ Jesus, which Paul speaks about in Eph. 4:22,24. I walked in this path until I heard a dear brother preach on the baptism of the Holy Ghost and speaking with other tongues. It set me to searching the Scriptures and God in His wonderful love soon showed me the light of it, and about five months ago I humbled myself at the Master's feet and He baptized me with power and the Holy Ghost and I did speak with tongues. Some have asked me how many languages I can speak, thinking I am educated, but sorry to say I was not educated at school, I read my first lesson behind the prison bars in England, about six weeks after God saved me. I learned that God would teach me if I put my trust in Him, and I took Him at His word and now I can read and write very nicely.

Please pray for me as God has called me to preach the gospel to this dying world, and I am going out soon.

Your brother in Christ,  
Tom Wilson.

## Pleasant Hill, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:

I am still in the great highway. I praise God for victory. He is our great leader. I feel like going on.

Sister Mary Troplen and I have just closed a few days meeting at Clifty, Tenn. The Lord sure did bless us and helped us to give out the Word. Sister Troplen sure is under the blood and the Lord is using her.

We came to Pleasant Hill last night, and we sure had a good service. Three were sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. We are on with Jesus, yet how sweet to my soul is communion with the saints. Please pray for me.

Your brother in Christ,  
J. T. Penny.

our way to heaven, shouting glory, all the way. People are coming this way. Glory! Your servant,  
Wesley D. Collins.

## Foster's Falls, Va.

We just closed our meeting at Cripple Creek a few days ago. Brother C. C. Frazier, the pastor was with us a part of the time.

A few were saved and sanctified, five baptized with the Holy Ghost, and six added to the Church of God. We left many hungry hearts who wanted to be added to the church when they get ready. They see this is the Bible way. There is a fine outlook for the Church.

We shall never forget the kindness of this dear people. When down with grippe we mentioned keeping house and in less than forty-eight hours a good house was given us the use of and furniture placed in it so that we were comfortable. Wood and food was given us so that we did not lack. God bless them all.

We were sent for to go pray for three children down very low with pneumonia fever. The doctor seemed to have little hope of their recovery. When we saw their condition, we fell at Jesus' feet weeping, and the mother who had never been saved, cried to God for mercy. The Lord came and healed them. They began to mend from that hour and the fever soon left two of them. The little girl told the doctor she was trusting God to heal her and tears came in his eyes. Praise the Lord! About 2 weeks before these two children gave their hand for prayer in the meeting.

We have begun a meeting at this place, and Bro. F. J. Crowder, the pastor is with us.

At the dedication service yesterday the glory of the Lord filled the house, and the power of God fell upon the saints in weeping, shouting, dancing, and praising God.

Pray that many may be won for Jesus in this neglected field.

Yours for Jesus and lost souls,  
H. L. Trim, Wife,  
and little Gaylon.

## Crawford, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: Greeting in Jesus' name.

The Lord is blessing wonderfully in our meetings, leading men and women to the light. The Lord has filled one with the Holy Ghost, and He has been blessing us in giving out the Word. Sinners are being convicted.

Your brother in the battle  
Sam Helton.



**Dillon, S. C.**

To the Family of the Church of God Evangel—Dear Ones:

I hope you will not think it strange for a Baptist preacher to address a letter to you of such a loving nature. You know or I do at least, that many thousands of good men and women are living for God and on the way to glory who do not belong to your little family named the "Holiness Church," yet if all were as I am they could feel as if we are "one in Christ," praise the Lord, we can have all things common and be of one heart and soul, if we will, but many of us "won't" and that's the trouble in all the churches today—God remove the hindering cause is my prayer.

I am writing to tell you that I went to McCall, S. C., last Sunday the 27th and Sunday night I went with a brother to the holiness church there and we had a good service.

I say "we" because when others were being blessed, God blessed me too. I seldom ever visit a church that shows so many signs of real spirituality as were shown at this service I am telling you about. The pastor of the church, brother — preached one of the best sermons I have ever listened to from 2 Tim. 2:5: "And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully"—that is, we will not receive a golden crown except we strive according to God's word, not in our own ways, but in God's way, praise the Lord.

God did use the brother well that night. The brother also stressed verse one of this chapter which reads: "Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus," not strong in any grace we may have of our own, but the grace that is in Christ, in us, can make us strong, bless the Lord, for this thought. It caused me to see further, that what grace God had already given me was not all I had to depend upon but all Christ Jesus has is mine if I need it, and I can have it for the asking. Bless His name forever.

I saw a brother received into membership in that church that night and can say I never saw anything like it before. I never lost control if myself during that service till then, but to see that young man facing the crowd and singing and praising God and laughing all over his soul while joining the church, made my soul too happy to be still and show no signs of being affected by the divine

workings of God's Holy Spirit. Praise God, the tears streamed down my cheeks. O, it was good to be there. I just feasted on the good things of God.

Because I do not belong to your church does not mean that I do not love you as dearly as I love my own, for I do and God knows I have no more respect for one than for an other, but I respect all that do according to the Bible.

If the Lord wills it, I am going back to McCall's holiness church again.

May the members of the disciples of Christ be multiplied and His word increase, and none belonging to His church be neglected in any way.

Love to you all,  
Box 424. B. S. Moody.

**Fosters Falls, Va.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I praise the Lord for full free salvation and for the Holy Ghost that abides in my soul.

Brother Trim and wife, and brother Burk have been faithful workers in Virginia since brother J. J. Lowman departed this life.

Sister Lowman has gone to join her husband in the skies. She departed this life Jan. 16, 1916. She left three little children, brothers, sisters and a host of friends to mourn her death, but we feel sure it was her eternal gain.

I talked with her a week before she died and she seemed to think it would be a happy change, though she wanted to live and raise her children for God, but she was willing for His will to be done. She was a member of the Church of God and had the blessed Holy Ghost.

The devil tried in every way possible to overthrow her in her weakness, but she held on to God's unchanging hand. She suffered many things for Christ, but I am sure she has won her reward.

Pray that God will take care of these three little ones that are left in this world of sin.

Pray for me that I may be humble and ready when Jesus comes or calls.

Your sister looking for Jesus,  
Maggie Lemones.

**Dutton, Ala.**

I praise God for this wonderful plan of salvation and that the Holy Ghost still abides.

I want all the saints to pray

a special prayer for the healing of my body.

Your sister under the blood,  
Mary Stewart.

**Perry, Fla.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I praise the Lord for what He has done for me. Glory to God! He saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost.

I feel so good to know that I am saved from my sins for I was an awful sinner, and just think He will save any one who comes to Him. He is so loving and kind to His children, and He always hears us when we call on Him for mercy. I love him. Glory! I get so happy some times that I shout all over my house. I am the only one in my family that is saved, and I want the saints to pray for my husband that he may turn to the Lord and be saved before it is too late.

My heart is burdened for the lost ones, and just think so many have the chance of giving their hearts to God yet they will not.

Jesus is coming some time when we are not looking for Him and oh, I want to be ready. I am more determined to go on than ever before. The more I learn of Jesus, the more I love Him.

Pray for me that I may overcome all temptations.

Your unworthy sister looking for Jesus,  
Mrs. Mary Cook.

**Mableton, Ga.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Evangel Family—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I praise God for what He is doing for me.

I have just returned from Atlanta, Ga., where I attended a pentecostal convention. I was wonderfully strengthened in these services. We had mission ones from China, Africa, India, Jerusalem and home missionaries from the mountains of Georgia. I praise God for all who are willing to go into all the world for Jesus. Oh, how my heart was stirred when I heard the missionaries tell what God was doing for poor lost souls.

Dear saints let us pray more for the missionaries.

I came here to Mableton to make this my home. I found no Holy Ghost people here and I began to call on God to send a preacher here to hold a service and I received a letter this morning from brother and sister W. B. Anderson that they will come about the first of May.

Let us all pray that the dry

bones of the valley may be shaken.

Pray for me that I may be able to overcome every obstacle that may come in my way.

Yours for Jesus,  
Mrs. P. T. Collier.

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